Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—With reference to (b) may I know Sir, the reason for this long delay ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I do not know whether this question is in order because the answer says that the matter has not received the assent of His Highness the Maharaja.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the matter receive the earliest attention of the Government ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Kunnamkulam Y. M. C. A. Co-operative Society.

34. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(a) whether the Registrar of Co operative Societies had stated in his order C. 1509/1108 dated 18th Kumbham 1108 thus:—"The Registrar is, therefore, of opinion that the working of the society cannot be left with the members until the faction subsides"; and if so,

(b) whether he has acted according to the aforesaid opinion expressed by him; and if not,

(c) what is the reason for acting contrary to his expressed opinion;

(d) whether the Registrar of Co-operative Societies had sent an order to the Secretary of the society referred to above to hand over charge to the Union Secretary;

(e) how many such orders were sent;

(f) whether the orders were executed;

(g) what was the reason for passing such orders?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes.

(b) No.

(c) There was a request from a large section of the general body to restore the management of the society to it.

(d) Yes.

(e) Two.

(f) No.

(g) Due to the faction and utter confusion in the society.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—What percentage of the members put in this request ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—We have not got the information here.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Has this faction subsided at the time?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The information before the Government is that it was on a request of a general body meeting that the society resumed its working and therefore it has naturally to be supposed that the faction has subsided sufficiently well.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Was it a resolution of a general body meeting or was it a petition from some of the members ?

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Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It was a general body meeting. First, there was an order to cancel the society and there was an order to hand over the papers to the Union Secretary. At that time some people put in a petition and fresh enquiries were conducted on the basis of that petition. In the meanwhile a general body meeting assembled and the Registrar restored the society to its normal function.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Did the Registrar receive any communication from the Union Secretary who was asked to take over charge, that the charge was not handed over to him ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—What action was taken ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—He wanted to write to the Magistrate and ask the interference on the part of the magistracy to get the records restored to the Union Secretary. It was at that juncture that another petition was put in before the Diwan, and when enquiries were made, they came to an amicable settlement. It seems a motion was passed at a general body meeting and the society was restored. So there was no necessity to call for help from the magistracy.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Is it an amicable settlement between the Registrar and some members of the society or an amicable settlement between the members themselves?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I think the latter.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—So there was an amicable settlement among all the members.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It was an amicable settlement. Whether a few members stood out of the general body meeting I do not know. The Registrar restored the society to its normal function.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.— Were all the members of the society given the power of voting ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.— I do not think that all of them were given. According to the rules those against whom suits have been filed by the society have not the right to vote. Under that rule some people were kept out from voting.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Who filed the suit?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The society.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Who was directly responsible for filing the suits? Was it not those members who were in possession of the papers ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Naturally it must be the executive people of the society.

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Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Was it not by the Secretary who was asked by the Registrar to hand over charge to the Union Secretary ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The Secretary has always got important functions.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Was it not tantamount to disobeying the Registrar's order ? Has the Registrar taken any action ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I shall explain that. In cancelling a society there is no vindictiveness on the part of the department. The department was compelled to cancel the society because the society was worked badly. The moment they came to an amicable settlement at a general body meeting why should the Registrar pursue the course of his own action? This question does not arise as a matter of fact.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Was not in the meantime many of the members deprived of the privilege of voting; that is the question?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—They might have been deprived of the privilege of voting, because they have borrowed and not repaid.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Was it not the result of not executing the orders?

President.—That question has been asked and already answered.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—What is the percentage of members who agreed to the amicable settlement?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I want notice.

Road in Mangad.

35. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to inform with reference to the answer to question No. 447, dated 28th March 1933, what further action has been taken to open the road?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—The Mangad road was connected with Vettikadavu road Its continuation to Mallurkadavu which was very narrow and impassable was improved throughout its length.

Road to Cheruvallikadavu Ferry in Anjur Village, Talappally Taluk.

36. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to print and place on the table Diwan's Proceedings order Pw3. 17442/08, dated 18th July 1933 and state:—

(a) whether the Chief Engineer has included the work referred to in the above Proceedings in the 1110 budget; and if not, why he did not include it;

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